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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

My name is Jeri Barr and I have served as the CEO of The Center for Family Resources (CFR), a comprehensive human service organization, in Marietta, Georgia, since 1984. Our motto, "Empowering Families to Help Themselves", is exemplified by the Comcast Corporation, which is one of our key supporters and community partners.

I believe that the FCC should approve the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

Here at The Center for Family Resources, our clients need basic necessities, such as food, shelter and heat, to stabilize their families, but they also need tools to feel empowered and secure their futures. The Internet is a vital instrument for change and growth that is linking Georgia's most vulnerable to jobs, education and health care.

I can tell you firsthand that Comcast is making a difference for our schools and schoolchildren in Marietta. In fact, Marietta Middle School and Marietta High School were among the 156 focus schools to receive Internet Essentials, a comprehensive broadband adoption program spearheaded by Comcast.

The Center for Family Resources supported these efforts, and is encouraging the families we serve to embrace Internet Essentials and its provision of home-based broadband at a deeply reduced cost. Comcast is actively spreading the word in our community too. The company sent representatives to speak to students and their parents about Internet Essentials when my local Kiwanis Club sponsored a Technology Lab at the Marietta High School and Comcast was also there last October when the CFR was educating and registering low-income families for its Thanks for Giving food drive.

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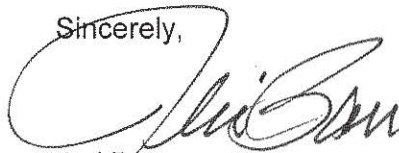
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In Georgia, I understand that more than 21,000 families have benefitted and nearly 12 percent of all eligible households in the state are participating. Given that Internet Essentials is a relatively new program, these promising numbers suggest that the digital divide will continue to narrow. Comcast has also recently announced that it is extending the program indefinitely, and has committed to extending it to any newly acquired areas which include communities like mine which is partially served by Charter Communications.

We stand behind initiatives like Internet Essentials and we are proud to call Comcast our longtime partner. The company leads by example, and is one of our valued supporters. Michael Wall, a Comcast employee, is a current board member who lends governance and expertise but he also is a dedicated volunteer and loves to give back to his community through CFR.

I feel confident that if Comcast and Time Warner Cable's proposed transaction is approved, more impactful collaborations, including innovative programming and services, will be the direct result. The FCC should move forward to approve the great opportunity before it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeri Barr", written over a large, stylized, looping flourish.

Jeri Barr
Chief Executive Officer

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